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For :	HIGH PERFORMANCE SINGLE MODE WAVEGUIDE	)

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Dear Sir:

Applicants, Ming-Jun Li, {Yanming Liu} Daiping Ma, and David K. Smith,  
declare that:

We have reviewed and understand the contents of the specification, including  
the claims, of the attached reissue application.

We believe ourselves to be the original, first, inventors of the subject matter  
described and claimed in the original Letters Patent No. 6,031,956, entitled HIGH  
PERFORMANCE SINGLE MODE WAVEGUIDE, issued February 29, 2000, based on U.S.  
Patent Application Serial No. 09/173,097, filed October 14, 1998, and in the attached  
specification, for which invention we solicit a reissue patent. As to the claimed subject  
matter of this application, we do not know and do not believe that this subject matter was  
ever known or used in the United States prior to our invention or discovery thereof.

We hereby claim priority benefits under Title 35, United States Code, § 119 of  
any application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s)

designating at least one country other than the United States listed below and have also identified below any application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by us on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed:

PRIOR APPLICATION(S) AND ANY PRIORITY CLAIMS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119:			
COUNTRY (IF PCT, indicate "PCT")	APPLICATION NUMBER	DATE OF FILING (day, month, year)	PRIORITY CLAIMED UNDER 35 USC 119
United States	60/065,845	17 November 1997	[X] YES [ ] NO
United States	60/075,012	17 February 1998	[X] YES [ ] NO

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We verily believe that issued U.S. Patent No. 6,031,956 is partly inoperative by reason of its failing to claim priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Patent Application Serial No. 60/075,012, filed February 17, 1998.

We acknowledge our duty under 37 CFR § 1.56 to disclose information of which we are aware which is material to the examination of this application.

All errors being corrected in this reissue application up to the time of filing this declaration arose without deceptive intention on our part.

We appoint the practitioners associated with Customer Number 22928 (i.e., the practitioners associated with the Intellectual Property Department, Corning Incorporated), Michael L. Goldman, Registration No. 30,727, and Georgia Evans, Registration No. 44,597 as the attorneys/agents to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. Send all correspondence to:

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The undersigned declare further that all statements made herein of their own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that the statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code; and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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